

Miami County Solid Waste District
Minutes for the May 21, 2012 Meeting

Attendance: Jon Faust, Craig Boyer, Tom Gustin, Josh Francis, Shirley Mull, Pat Roberts, Samantha Ward, and Carla Smith. Absent: Jim Walker, and Don Morris.

At 8:03 A.M. the meeting was called to order by Tom Gustin.

The minutes of April 16, 2012 meeting were presented. Josh Francis motioned to accept the minutes as is Jon Faust seconded, motion passed.

The May 2012 financial statement was presented by Samantha Ward. Regular monthly bills were presented. The Pitney Bowes bill was for a yellow and a black toner cartridge replacement for billing use. The bill for Wabash Valley was for Beautification Day dumpsters. USPS was for the postage to mail out the yearly bills. The bill for F&E Check-Pros was for the check scanning system to be used by the Solid Waste Office and the Treasurer's Office. The bill was to be split between the Treasurer's Office and the Solid Waste office, however, the Solid Waste Office was the only entity who was able to use the system during May, so the Solid Waste District paid the entire first payment (this was to be 50% of the total bill, with the other 50% due later this year.). Craig Boyer moved to approve the financial report as is, Jon Faust seconded, motion passed. Samantha noted to the board that by using the check scanner, deposits were up significantly. The amount of deposits reported for the board meeting in May 2011 was \$32,000.00. The amount of deposits reported for the May 2012 meeting is \$118,000.00.

Samantha gave a re-cap of the April 28 Beautification Day. There were a total of 35 dumpsters between the five locations. The turnout was very good, especially considering the cold and rainy weather. A representative from the town of Macy called the office and asked about moving the dumpster location back into town. Samantha told the representative that she would bring this up to the board. When the dumpster was located in the town of Macy, there were many illegal dumps and drop off of items long after the event ended. There were 50+ tires dumped at that location one evening. At the current location, there is a chain link fence around the property, and the owner cleans up any items dropped off there. After discussion, the board decided to leave the location where it currently is.

The 2013 Budget was presented. After changes to programs and review of past expenses, the budget was able to be cut back. Craig Boyer motioned to take the budget under advisement until the next meeting, Josh Francis seconded, motion passed. Craig Boyer motioned to raise Tom Gustin's meeting stipend to \$35.00. Shirley Mull seconded, motion passed.

There was discussion about a permanent facility. Other districts have found that property owners are not as unhappy about paying their bills when they can see some of the programs in action. If the district had a permanent facility, programs could be expanded to offer HHW drop off every day, electronic recycling drop off every day, a re-use room open to the public and possible expansion of hours to include one Saturday per month. The property on Third Street is not quite what the district needs to serve the public. Josh Francis suggested talking with some of the owners of properties that are currently for sale. The board would like to keep looking for a good location.

Samantha noted to the board that Wabash County SWMD is hosting a 24 hour HAZWPR training and certification class June 12-14. Samantha suggested both she and Carla attend. Josh Francis motioned to allow both Samantha and Carla to attend the training, Shirley Mull seconded, motion passed. Samantha will put the information about being closed on the radio and in the newspaper.

Pat Roberts asked the board what they wanted to do about the collection cases that fall under Trial Rule 41E. These cases are those who did not respond to the summons paperwork. Pat presented a list of the defendants who are on the list from 2010. Most are uncollectable. Craig Boyer moved to write off the cases on the 41E list, and pursue the good addresses utilizing the \$13.00 fee to have the Sheriff Dept. serve the papers to them, and add the Sheriff fee to the collection bill. Josh Francis seconded, motion passed.

Shirley Mull motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 AM, Jon Faust seconded, motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,